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2. In the future an effort is to be made to determine who in the Reichsbahn is responsible for the inefficient allocation of freight cars. Many East German industries may soon have to stop production because means of transporting finished products from the manufacturer to the consumer are not available. The salzsäure firm in Schoenebeck, for example, has on hand over 3,250 metric tons of salt which it cannot transport to market areas. 25X1
3. On 1 January 1953 the Control Section of KWL is to assume responsibility for the assignment of all freight cars. The head of the Control Section is Gerhard Guske.
4. As of 10 November 1953 the KWL employed 2,877 persons, including people who work in repair shops.

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